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Approved for use through 07/31/2006, OMB 0851-0031 U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENTOF COMMERCE Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form Application No.: 09/683,613 First Named Applicant: Fred Christians Examiner: Cynthia Wilder Art Unit: 1637 Status of Application: Pending Tentative Participants: (1) Cynthia Wilder (2) Wei Zhou (3) Leticia Block Proposed Date of Interview: 12/14/04 Proposed Time: 3:30 (AM | /PM | X)Type of Interview Requested: (1) Telephonic (2) Personal (3) Video Conference Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: YES NO If yes, provide brief description: Issues To Be Discussed **Issues** Claims/ Prior Discussed Agreed Not Agreed (Rej., Obj., etc) Fig. #s (1) <u>Rei</u> (3) Continuation Sheet Attached Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented: Discussion based on Office Action dated August 13, 2004: -Non anticipation of claim 1 under 35 USC 102(b) by Kuimelis et al (WO 99/51773) -Non obviousness of claims 1-21 under 35 USC 103(a) over Kuimelis et al and Gold et al in view of Fodor et al (USP 5,87,928). -Non obviouseness of claims 12-21 under 35 103(a) over Baskerville et al (WO 99/5458) in view of Fodor et al (USP 587,928).

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